

Grade K ELA Scope and Sequence SY 12-13

Unit Theme	Dates	Unit Focus	Reading: Literature RL.K.1, RL.K.2, and RL.K.10 apply to each unit.	Reading: Informational Text RI.K.1, RL.K.2 and RI.K.10 apply to each unit.	Reading: Foundational Skills RF.K.4 applies to each unit.	Writing W.K.5 and W.K.10 apply to each unit.	Speaking and Listening SLK.1, SL.K.2, and SL.K.6 apply to each unit.	Language
1 Making Friends	8/27/12 to 10/11/12 (Instructional Days: 32)	Students will begin this year exploring the world of books. They will read stories written around the themes of friendship and school. In reading, students will begin to understand print concepts, parts of a book, and comprehension strategies, with a particular focus on asking questions and making connections. They will read and compare stories written around the themes of friendship and school. In writing, students will write an explanatory piece.	RL.K.1 RL.K.2	RI.K.1 RI.K.2 RI.K.5 RI.K.7	RF.K.1 (a), (b), (c) RF.K.2 (a) RF.K.4	W.K.2 W.K.5 W.K.7	SL.K.1 SL.K.2 SL.K.6	L.K.1 (f)
2 The Pictures Are the Best Part	10/12/12 to 12/5/12 (Instructional Days: 34)	Students will learn about school and community careers. In reading, students will learn how illustrations and words are related to each other. They will also retell informational texts by stating the main idea and listing key details. Students will continue to ask and answer questions and practice other reading comprehension strategies. In writing, students will write an explanatory piece. Students will use details and illustrations to help their readers understand their writing.	RL.K.1 RL.K.2 RL.K.4 RL.K.5 RL.K.7	RI.K.1 RI.K.2 RI.K.3	RF.K.2 (c) RF.K.3 (a), (c) RF.K.4	W.K.2 W.K.5 W.K.7 W.K.8	SL.K.1 SL.K.2 SL.K.3 SL.K.6	L.K.1 (b) L.K.2 (a), (b) L.K.5
3 Ingredients of a Good Story	12/6/12 to 2/6/13 (Instructional Days: 33)	Students will participate in a class author study in which they examine an author's books for story elements and patterns. In reading, students will identify and describe basic story elements, practice visualizing a story's setting and characters based on details in the text, retell stories, and continue to make text-to-text connections to draw out patterns in an author's writing style. In writing, students will write a narrative piece. Several story elements should be included, such as setting, problem, and solution.	RL.K.1 RL.K.2 RL.K.3 RL.K.5 RL.K.7	RI.K.1 RI.K.2 RI.K.4	RF.K.4	W.K.3 W.K.5	SL.K.1 SL.K.2 SL.K.6	L.K.1 (c), (d) L.K.2 (c) L.K.4
4 The Changing World	2/7/13 to 3/29/13 (Instructional Days: 34)	Students will explore the passage of time as it relates to people, animals, and nature. In reading, students will compare and contrast the passage of time across texts and subjects (e.g., the life cycle of a butterfly vs. a bear) by making text-to-text connections, describe the passage of time by citing key details from texts, and distinguish between authors and illustrators. In writing, students will write an opinion piece. Students should use digital tools to publish their pieces.	RL.K.1 RL.K.2 RL.K.6 RL.K.9	RI.K.1 RI.K.2 RI.K.6 RI.K.8 RI.K.9	RF.K.1 (d) RF.K.2 (b) RF.K.3 (d) RF.K.4	W.K.1 W.K.5 W.K.6	SL.K.1 SL.K.2 SL.K.4 SL.K.5 SL.K.6	L.K.1 (a)
5 Around the World	4/8/13 to 5/3/13 (Instructional Days: 18)	Students will learn about the daily lives of children in countries around the world and compare their experiences to their own (teachers should determine if they want to focus on many countries, or lead students through a deeper study of one or two.) In reading, students will identify key details about life in other countries, compare and contrast by making text-to-self connections, ask questions about other countries and seek to find answers through reading. In writing, students will write an opinion piece. Significant time should be spent on working with peers to strengthen their writing.	RL.K.1 RL.K.2 RL.K.9	RI.K.1 RI.K.2 RI.K.4 RI.K.9	RF.K.2 (d) RF.K.4	W.K.1 W.K.5	SL.K.1 SL.K.2 SL.K.6	L.K.1 (e) L.K.2 (d)
6 Our History and Traditions	5/6/13 to 6/20/13 (Instructional Days: 32)	Students will learn about the history and significance of specific American holidays through studying a variety of text formats, including poems, songs, narratives, and informational texts. In reading, students will distinguish among various text formats, detect the main topic and retell key details, and identify the reasons authors give to support their points. In writing, students will write a narrative piece. Significant time should be spent on working with peers to strengthen their writing.	RL.K.1 RL.K.2 RL.K.5 RL.K.7	RI.K.1 RI.K.2 RI.K.7 RI.K.8	RF.K.2 (e) RF.K.3 (b) RF.K.4	W.K.3 W.K.5 W.K.8	SL.K.1 SL.K.2 SL.K.4 SL.K.5 SL.K.6	L.K.6

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